(b) whether Government have asked the States to work on the new proposal aimed at giving both parents an equal right of recognition; and

(c) whether the State Governments are free to accept or reject this proposal and if so, whether Government would initiate the process on its own in the colleges and universities affiliated to UGC, CBSE and AICTE?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) and (b) In pursuance of the matter of Urgent Public Importance (Special Mention) raised in Rajya Sabha on 18.8.2005 by Shri K. Rama Mohana Rao, MP, the Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD) has requested all Central Ministries and Departments and State Governments and Union Territory Administrations to take appropriate affirmative action to include the name of mother in all certificates and other documents which fall under their purview. DWCD has not circulated any other proposal/instruction on the subject.

(c) The requisite information is being collected by Department of Secondary and Higher Education.

Common Minimum Programme in Syllabus

2009. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Common Minimum Programme of UPA has been added to the new syllabus of NCERT for next year; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Omission of Kargil War from Syllabus

2010. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kargil war has been omitted from new syllabus of NCERT for next year; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) and (b) There is no mention